

Reference questions: Energize - Multifamily Homes Application

Instructions

Thank you for your interest in the Energize – Multifamily Homes program. This program provides affordable multifamily buildings with services to reduce climate emissions from their buildings, improve tenant comfort and building operations, and increase community resilience and health.

Eligibility

To apply for this program, you must:

- Own or operate a multifamily building with 5 or more residential units
- Be located in King, Kitsap, Pierce, or Snohomish County in Washington State
- Have 50% of building units occupied by residents that qualify as "low-income" by the HUD FY 2026 definition (see below). If you do not know whether your building meets this criteria, King County will provide direct income verification services.

Owner-occupied condominium units, individually owned townhomes, and similar fragmented-ownership structures are **ineligible**.

This is a competitive program reserved for owners, operators, and managers of subsidized and unsubsidized housing serving low-income residents. The program heavily prioritizes buildings that utilize fossil fuels to heat tenant units and domestic hot water.

King County intends to spread investment across building owners and encourages prospective participants to submit buildings with the highest fossil fuel energy use for program consideration. If you are a tenant, renter, or building occupant interested in receiving services for your building, fill out our anonymous referral form. We will follow up with your recommended building contacts and encourage them to apply.

Application Resources

The following resources may help you complete this application:

- The priority areas map; applications within these geographies receive additional points in the program scoring process. See the King County Energize - Multifamily Homes webpage to view the interactive map.
- The following table provides property lookup resources to research building-specific information. Income thresholds are also listed to show the qualifying household income levels of building units for program participation, as defined by HUD for Fiscal Year 2026; applicants do not have to verify tenant incomes prior to applying, as King County will verify income levels for buildings accepted into the program.

County	Property Lookup Resources	Low-income limits per County (family of 4)
King	King County iMap	\$ 116,650
Kitsap	Kitsap Parcel Search	\$ 103,700
Pierce	Pierce County Parcel Search	\$ 101,850
Snohomish	Online Property Information	\$ 116,650

If you have any questions, please email CPRG@KingCounty.gov

If you need translation support to fill out this application, please email CPRG@KingCounty.gov

Application Pre-Screen

This section of the application helps you determine whether this is the right program for you based on your building's eligibility. Questions in this section are unscored.

Is your building a multifamily building (excluding a condominium or townhouse complex) with 5 or more residential units?

Yes

No

This program is only available to multifamily buildings with 5 or more residential units. Condominiums and townhouses are currently not eligible for this program.

Is your building located in King, Kitsap, Pierce, or Snohomish County?

Yes

No

Only buildings in these counties are eligible.

To the best of your knowledge, do at least half of the units in this building house residents that are considered low income by HUD definitions (see "Application Resources" on page 1 for more information about FY 2026 HUD income limits)?

Yes

No

This program is only available to buildings serving majority low-income residents.

Does your building use natural gas or other fossil fuels for space heating in residential units?

Yes

No

I don't know

Fossil fuel energy use in residential units makes up most of the possible points for applications to this program. To ensure your application is scored correctly, we encourage you to verify the heating fuel source in the building's residential units.

Does your building use natural gas or other fossil fuels for water heating (either individual tanks or central system)?

Yes

No

I don't know

Important Notice

Buildings without gas space heating and without gas water heating typically receive very low scores in the program's prioritization. You may still apply, but the likelihood of acceptance is significantly reduced.

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Applicant Information

Please fill in the information below for the primary point of contact for this application.

By applying for this program, you understand that you may not automatically receive program services. This is a competitive application process, and only those accepted into the program receive program services.

Please fill in the below information for the primary point of contact for this application.

Name *

First Name

Last Name

Phone Number *

Please enter a valid phone number.

Email *

example@example.com

Position (e.g. Building Operator, Building Owner, Property Manager, etc.) *

Please enter the position or title you hold with the building you are applying for.

Preferred language of the point of contact *

Amharic

Arabic

Chinese (Traditional)

- English
- Hindi
- Khmer
- Korean
- Russian
- Samoan
- Somali
- Spanish
- Tagalog
- Ukrainian
- Vietnamese
- Other

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How did you hear about Energize? *

- City or County Government Communication
- Social Media
- Meeting or Event
- Word of mouth
- Flyer in a public place
- Program website or online search
- Utility Communication
- Organization newsletter or email
- Other

What is the address of the building you are applying for? *

Street Address

Street Address Line 2

City

State / Province

Postal / Zip Code

What type of organization are you? *

- Private Housing Provider (LLC or Sole Proprietor)
- Certified, 501(c)3 non-profit
- Public Housing Authority

Other

What is the legal business name of the organization / entity applying for services? *

In the past 5 years, has this building received funding from other sources to support weatherization, installation of heat pumps, or other energy efficiency upgrades? And/or will it be receiving support from other sources within the next year? *

Yes

No

I don't know

Building Information

The following questions ask for basic information about your building. Please answer every question to the best of your ability.

Is the building designated as a historic site or registered landmark? *

Yes

No

I don't know

How many square feet is your building? Note: this information can typically be found through links in the Property Resources Table. *

How many stories is your building? *

1

2

3

4 or more

Please be advised that this program can only fund buildings with 5 or more units within the building envelope.

Please describe what support the building has received or will receive, the funding source and amount, and the year the support was or will be received.

For how many buildings in the complex are you applying for services?

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How many residential units are in your building?

How many of those units are currently occupied? *

Enter the total number of units occupied at time of application.

Does this property contain one residential building or multiple residential buildings? *

One building

Multiple buildings (apartment complex or scattered site)

How many residential units are in each building? Please identify each building as [building number: unit count] (e.g. "Building A: 15 units").

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Is this a senior housing facility with an age requirement for residents? *

Yes

No

Select all affordability subsidies that your building receives. Please note that no subsidies are required to be eligible for this program; this information primarily assists program staff with program planning. Both subsidized and unsubsidized buildings may apply. *

This building does not receive rental subsidies

Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) – 4% or 9%

HUD Project Based Section 8

Housing Choice Vouchers (Section 8 tenant based)

HUD Section 202 Supportive Housing for the Elderly

- HUD Section 811 Supportive Housing for Persons with Disabilities
- HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) funding
- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)–funded housing
- Public Housing (local housing authority–owned)
- State or local housing trust fund loans/grants
- Tax exempt bond financing for affordable housing
- Other

If your building is restricted to low-income residents, please describe the unit set-aside rates for each income limit. Write “N/A” if no units are income restricted. *

Has your building experienced any of the following health or safety repair needs in the past year? Select all that apply. This question will not be used to determine your application score. *

- Mold and mildew
- Asbestos contamination or other toxics of concern
- Damaged structure
- Damaged windows
- Damaged roof
- No health & safety issues of record
- Other

Does your building have an indoor common space for residents to congregate, such as a lobby or activity space? *

- Yes
- No

Do residents of this building access their units through interior corridors or through an exterior door? *

- All units are accessed through interior corridors/hallways
- All units are accessed through exterior doors
- Unit access is mixed between interior corridor and exterior entry access

Is this a mixed-use building? Definition: a mixed-use building is one where retail or commercial services are located in the same building envelope as the residential units. *

- Yes, this is a mixed-use building
- No, this is a residential-only building

Please note that this program prioritizes buildings that combust natural gas or other fossil fuels onsite. Your property may not receive a competitive score.

Does your building use district steam from a local provider, such as Centrio Energy? *

Yes

No

Does the building have an affordability covenant in place with your local authority? *

Yes

No

If yes, how many years remain in the covenant? *

0-2 years

3-5 years

6-10 years

Greater than 10 years

I don't know

Are your space heating systems and water heating systems combined? *

Yes, this building has a combination system for space and water heating

No, this building has separate, dedicated systems for space and water heating

Please select any additional systems your building uses for heating common areas that do not serve residential units. *

Electric heat pump systems (mini splits or packaged)

Electric resistance heaters/baseboard heating

Wall furnaces using natural gas or propane

Central heat pump system (ducted air source or water source)

Central electric boiler with distribution

Central propane or natural gas boiler with distribution

Central hydronic system powered by district steam

Central fuel oil boiler with distribution

None of these/not applicable

Other

What is the age and reliability of the space heating system(s) serving residential units? *

Newer than 5 years and reliable & operational

Between 5-15 years and reliable & operational

Older than 15 years and reliable & operational

Equipment is experiencing increasing repair and reliability issues (regardless of age)

Equipment has failed and needs immediate repair or replacement

Does your organization or company have plans to replace the heating system? Briefly explain.

Is there any other information you would like to share about your building's heating/cooling systems?

Which domestic hot water system(s) does your property use for in-unit use, and what fuel or energy source powers them? *

Individual electric resistance or heat pump water heaters in units (20-80 gal.)

Individual natural gas or propane water heaters in units (20-80 gal.)

Tankless/on-demand natural gas or propane water heaters in unit

Central electric hot water system

Central heat pump water heating system

Central natural gas or propane hot water system

Central hot water system powered by fuel oil

Central district steam system

Other

Briefly describe the age and reliability of any air conditioning systems.

Please select any additional water heating systems your building uses for common area use (shared kitchen, common laundry, etc.). *

Individual electric resistance or heat pump water heaters in units (20-80 gal.)

Individual natural gas or propane water heaters in units (20-80 gal.)

Tankless/on-demand natural gas or propane water heaters in unit

Central electric hot water system

Central heat pump water heating system

Central natural gas or propane hot water system

- Central hot water system powered by fuel oil
- Central district steam system
- None of these/not applicable
- Other

Building Energy Information

The following questions ask about your building's energy usage. Please answer each question for the building at the address provided in this application.

Who is your service provider for electricity? *

- Seattle City Light
- Puget Sound Energy
- Tacoma Power
- Lakeview Light & Power
- Peninsula Light Company
- Snohomish PUD
- Other

Who is your service provider for natural gas? *

- Puget Sound Energy
- Cascade Natural Gas
- My home/building does not use natural gas
- Other

Does your organization or company have plans to replace the water heating system? Briefly explain.

Please provide information on the quantity and distribution of each of the selected appliances in the building noted in the question above.

How are the building's electric utility bills paid? *

By building owner

By tenants

Costs are shared between owner and tenant

How are the building's natural gas utility bills paid? *

By building owner

By tenants

Costs are shared between owner and tenant

The building doesn't use natural gas

Which space heating system(s) does your property use for residential units, and what fuel or energy source powers them? (select all that apply) *

In-unit electric heat pump systems (mini splits or packaged)

In-unit electric resistance heaters/baseboard heating

In-unit wall furnaces using natural gas or propane

Central heat pump system (ducted air source or water source)

Central electric boiler with distribution

Central propane or natural gas boiler with distribution

Central hydronic system powered by district steam

Central fuel oil boiler with distribution

Other

Does your building have air conditioning (including central air or portable/window units)? *

Yes, my building has portable or window units

Yes, my building has central air conditioning (A/C)

Yes, my building has ductless cooling

No, my building currently doesn't have air conditioning (A/C)

I don't know

Is there anything else you would like to share about your property?